The attached table provides descriptions of all variables.

Other comments:

Fine mode is separated from the course mode in the AERONET database for wet size distributions. The inflection point radius between modes is reduced by the hygroscopic growth factor (like all of the radii in this retrieval). That is, radius(dry) = radius(wet)/HGF.

The volume concentrations are linearly related to the aerosol mass in the atmospheric column. PM concentration cutoffs occur at various AERONET retrieval radii (i.e., rather than interpolating between AERONET radii).

"Dry" components include black carbon and another inclusion (usually ammonium sulfate). Optical calculations of dry components (aot_dry_550, AAOD_dry_550, Reff_dry, Qeff_dry, etc.) assumes that BC and the other inclusion (usually sulfate) are internally mixed.

Wet single scatter albedo: (aot_calc_550 - AAOD_550) / aot_calc_550 Dry single scatter albedo: (aot_dry_550 - AAOD_dry_550) / aot_dry_550

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AAOD_550 aerosol absorption optical depth at 550 nm	
AAOD_dry_550 of dry aerosol component	
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Reff effective radius (um)	
Reff_dry effective radius of dry component (um)	
Qeff effective extinction efficiency	
Qeff_dry effective extinction efficiency of dry component	
refr_range $(m_r \text{ at } 1020 \text{ nm minus } m_r \text{ at } 440 \text{ nm})$; useful for flagging suspicious retr	rievals
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tm_rh equilibrium relative humidity associated with the real	
refractive index of the aerosol mixture (Tang and Munkelwitz, 1994)	
prent_sphrs percent spheres (from AERONET)	
Monthly output:	
_avg monthly average suffix	
_sd standard deviation suffix	
ff_avg Monthly average of dry fine volume fraction	
ff_sd Standard deviation of dry fine volume fraction	